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ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)
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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director
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TAGS: SHUM, PINS, AR
SUBJECT: STATUS OF ARGENTINE JUAN MENDEZ

REF: STATE 221837

EMBASSY HAS NO NEW INFORMATION ON MENDEZ CASE. HOWEVER,
IT IS NOT UNCOMMON THAT PERSONS REMAIN IN JAIL UNDER STATE
OF SIEGE EVEN AFTER THEY ARE CLEARED OF CHARGES BROUGHT
AGAINST THEM. AUTHORITIES OFTEN CLAIM THEY HAVE NOT RECEIVED
OFFICIAL ORDERS TO RELEASE APPARENTLY ACQUITTED PRISONERS,
WHICH COULD MEAN FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS ARE UNDERWAY OR
SIMPLY THAT THE PROCESS FROM THE COURTS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES
HAS BEEN STALLED SOMEWHERE ALONG THE WAY. EMBASSY WILL REPORT
NEW DEVELOPMENTS.
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